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PROMOTION OF MEDICINAL PLANTATION IN BIHAR
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to formulate any scheme to promote the Medicinal Plantation in Bihar;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether there is any such scheme being run in the State; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI KANTILAL BHURIA):

(a) to (d) The Ministry of Agriculture is implementing a Centrally Sponsored Scheme on Macro Management in Agriculture â€" Supplementation/Complementation of State Efforts through Work Plan. Under this scheme the State Governments are ` free to impiement programmes as per their priorities and felt needs which includes programme on development of medicinal plants. Under this assistance is being provided for activities like production and distribution of quality planting material, establishment/maintenance of herbal gardens at Rajendra Agricultural University, Samastipur. Besides programmes on setting up of demonstration plots, and area expansion are being taken up through the State. Horticulture Department. The National Medicinal Plants Boards under the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare is also providing assistance for contractual farming of identified medicinal plants, setting up of herbal gardens in the state of Bihar.